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RE: OU-8 Phase I RFI/RI Work Plan Approval

Dear Mr. Slaten,

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency ("the agencies") hereby approve the Final Phase I RFI/RI Work Plan for Operable Unit No. 8, dated December 1, 1992:

In granting this approval; DOE is required to adhere to the "Data Aggregation fc Human Health Exposure Assessment" attached to correspondence dated April 6, 1994 This letter from the agencies received DOE's concurrence.

The data aggregation protocol includes the methodology for the "Conservative Ris Screen for Sources at the Rocky Flats Plant" which must be based upon a residentia exposure Risk Based Concentration (RBC). The RBC must be calculated assuming directing inhalation and dermal contact to residential receptors equivalent to 1 x  $10^{-6}$  carcinogenic risk and 1.0 hazard quotient (See the "Conservative Ris Screen" Flowchart). Application of an industrial/commercial or ecological worke RBC relative to the conservative risk screen will not be accepted in the Phase RFI/RI Report.

It is our position that data aggregation protocols set forth in the April 6, 199 letter are applicable to all operable units at the RFETS not merely Operable Unit 2-7 for which work was stopped pending resolution of the issue.

In addition, the agencies do not support NAI probe screening of the Central Av spill (IHSS 172) as an initial data collection effort. The NAI probe is no designed to detect radionuclides beneath, or within, pavement that may remain from the spill. Therefore, DOE is required to conduct surficial soil sampling and asphalt sampling as appropriate, to adequately investigate the IHSS. As negotiated this effort may be targeted to probable locations and materials to minimize cost schedule impacts and traffic problems on Central Avenue and connecting streets. A further agreed, the Division and EPA representatives will review the historical evidence of the spill and assist DOE in selecting appropriate sampling locations and materials. The sampling locations and protocols will then be included in the revision to Technical Memorandum (TM) No. 1 or a separate TM at DOE's discretion.

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Please contact Harlen Ainscough at 692-3337 and Bill Fraser at 294-1081 to coordinate efforts relative to the Central Avenue sampling requirements.

Sincerely,

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